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In re Patent Application of:
Hidekazu MORI et al.

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For: BINDER FOR ELECTRIC DOUBLE LAYER
CAPACITOR ELECTRODE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371
IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED /ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated March 22, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits the required documents. Applicants now explain the history of this application and the purpose of the attached documents.

During prosecution of the parent PCT application, PCT/JP2004/015600, one of the coinventors, Ms. Mayumi Fukumine had her name legally changed under Japanese law:

from

Ms. Mayumi Kaneko

to

Ms. Mayumi Fukumine.

This change was not documented during prosecution of the PCT application.

The application entered the US national phase under 371 and an original Declaration was filed wherein the name "Mayumi Kaneko" was crossed out and then replaced with "Mayumi Fukumine."

During a telephone call (on May 17, 2007) between Mr. Leonard Smith of the PCT Legal Administration Branch at the PTO and Applicants' representative, Garth M. Dahlen, Ph.D., Esq. (#43,575), Mr. Smith indicated that the filed original Declaration was "defective," and as such, could serve no legal purpose. Mr. Smith indicated that Applicants would have to file: 1) a new original Declaration signed by all four inventors; 2) a statement by Ms. Mayumi Fukumine that her name had been legally changed; 3) a Rule 182 Petition to request entry of the Declaration; and 4) the petition fee. This fact was confirmed during a second telephone call to Mr. Smith on May 21, 2007 by Mr. Robert Webster.

- Attached is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements (371 Formalities Letter).
- Attached are the Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, Rule 182 Petition, Petition Fee Transmittal and Statement by Co-Inventor Regarding Recent Name Change.

The undersigned hereby declares that the title "BINDER FOR ELECTRIC DOUBLE LAYER CAPACITOR ELECTRODE" on page 1 of the attached Inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. 10/576,676 filed April 21, 2006.

Attached is an English language translation of the above-identified application that was filed in a foreign language, which should be used as the copy for examination purposes.

See the attached Translator's Verification; or

The undersigned states that the English translation attached hereto is a true and correct translation of the application as originally filed in a foreign language.

Attached are 0 sheet(s) of drawings. Please substitute these replacement drawings for the corresponding 0 sheet(s) of drawings on file in the above-identified application.

Attached are substitute claims commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(h).

Attached is a substitute abstract commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.72(b).

Attached is a substitute specification that complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52. The substitute specification does not contain new matter.

Attached is a preliminary amendment.

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Attached is a Supplemental Application Data Sheet (ADS).

Submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover for recording is an Assignment.

Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.

- The Government Filing Surcharge for late filing of oath and/or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.494 and 1.492 and Petition Fee Under 37 CFR 1.17(f) in the amount of \$400.00 to be charged to deposit account no. 02-2448.
- Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: May 22, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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